

Samuel H. Buskirk Certificates

B 16, OB 3
1859, 1870
2 ov. Folders

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Biographical Note:

Samuel Hamilton Buskirk was born on January 19, 1820, in New Albany, Indiana. He moved to Monroe County, Indiana, in 1831 and graduated from Indiana University (Bloomington) in 1841. He served as Monroe County recorder (1844-1845) and Monroe County prosecuting attorney (1851). He married Sarah Walter in 1845. They had six children. In 1848, he began practicing law. He served five terms (1848-49, 1851-52, 1863, 1865) in the Indiana House of Representatives and was named Speaker of the House in 1863. In 1859, he was appointed Director of the Indiana State Prison by Governor A. P. Willard. Buskirk was appointed to the Indiana Supreme Court in 1870 and served on the bench until 1876. He died on April 3, 1879, in Indianapolis.

Source:

Shepherd, Rebecca A., Charles W. Calhoun, Elizabeth Shanahan-Shoemaker, and Alan F. January, comp. A Biographical Directory of the Indiana General Assembly, Volume 1, 1816-1899. Indianapolis: The Select Committee on the Centennial History of the Indiana General Assembly, 1980.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection contains two certificates issued to Samuel H. Buskirk. One appoints him Director of the Indiana State Prison. The other appoints him a judge of the Indiana Supreme Court from the 3rd District.

Folder Listing:

B16

1859 Jan. 25 Certificate naming Buskirk Director of Indiana State Prison signed by Governor A. P. Willard

OB3, Folder

2.

1870 Nov. 12 Certificate appointing Buskirk an Indiana Supreme Court judge signed by

Governor Conrad Baker

Collection Information:

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